

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method comprising:
2 automatically establishing a secure link between a transaction device and a
3 kiosk; and
4 automatically accessing functions of the kiosk for the transaction device.

- 1 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
2 enabling the transaction device to locate the kiosk that has a desired function;
3 and
4 providing a direction to a location of a best available kiosk.

- 1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein accessing further comprising:
2 enabling the transaction device to access input and output devices of the kiosk.

- 1 4. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
2 enabling the kiosk to perform an additional function.

- 1 5. The method of claim 4, wherein the additional function includes enabling a
2 user to pay a bill, enabling a user to send and receive an e-mail or a fax, enabling a
3 user to view an image through a display device of the kiosk, or enabling a user to play
4 a pay-per-use video game.

- 1 6. A method of claim 1, further comprising,
2 saving accessed information to the transaction device;
3 resetting the kiosk; and
4 disconnecting the secure link between the transaction device and the kiosk.

- 1 7. A method comprising:
2 enabling a transaction device to locate a kiosk that has a desired function; and

3 providing a direction to a location of the kiosk.

1 8. The method of claim 7, further comprising:
2 establishing a secure link between the transaction device and the kiosk; and
3 accessing functions of the kiosk through the transaction device.

1 9. A system comprising:
2 a kiosk; and
3 a transaction device to establish automatically a secure link to the kiosk and to
4 access automatically the functions of the kiosk.

1 10. The system of claim 9, wherein the transaction device is to locate a kiosk that
2 has a desired function and to provide a direction to a location of the kiosk.

1 11. The system of claim 9, wherein the transaction device is to access input and
2 output devices of the kiosk.

1 12. The system of claim 9, wherein the kiosk is to perform an additional function if
2 the secure link to the transaction device is established.

1 13. The system of claim 12, wherein the additional function includes enabling a
2 user to pay a bill, enabling a user to send and receive an e-mail or a fax, enabling a
3 user to view an image through a display device of the kiosk, or enabling a user to play
4 a pay-per-use video game.

1 14. A system comprising:
2 a kiosk; and
3 a transaction device to locate the kiosk that has a desired function and to
4 provide a direction to a location of the kiosk.

1 15. The system of claim 14, wherein the transaction device is to establish a secure
2 link to a kiosk and to access functions of the kiosk.

1 16. The system of claim 15, wherein the transaction device is to access input and
2 output devices of the kiosk.

1 17. A machine-readable medium having instructions, which if executed by a
2 processor, causes the processor to perform the operation comprising:
3 establishing a secure link between a transaction device and a kiosk; and
4 accessing functions of the kiosk through the transaction device.

1 18. The machine-readable medium of claim 17, further providing instructions,
2 which if executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform the operations
3 comprising:
4 enabling the transaction device to locate the kiosk that has a desired function;
5 and
6 providing a direction to a location of a best available kiosk.

1 19. The machine-readable medium of claim 17, further providing instructions,
2 which if executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform the operations
3 comprising:
4 enabling the transaction device to access input and output devices of the kiosk.

1 20. The machine-readable medium of claim 17, further providing instructions,
2 which if executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform the operations
3 comprising:
4 enabling the kiosk to perform an additional function.

1 21. The machine-readable medium of claim 20, further providing instructions,
2 which if executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform the operations
3 comprising:

4 selecting the additional function including enabling a user to pay a bill,
5 enabling a user to send and receive an e-mail or a fax, enabling a user to view an
6 image through a display device of the kiosk, or enabling a user to play a pay-per-use
7 video game.

1 22. The machine-readable medium of claim 17, further providing instructions,
2 which if executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform the operations
3 comprising:

4 saving accessed information to the transaction device;
5 resetting the kiosk; and
6 disconnecting the secure link between the transaction device and the kiosk.

1 23. The machine-readable medium that provides instructions, which if executed by
2 the processor, cause the processor to perform the operations comprising:

3 enabling a transaction device to locate a kiosk that has a desired function; and
4 providing a direction to a location of the kiosk.

1 24. The machine-readable medium of claim 23, further providing instructions,
2 which if executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform the operations
3 comprising:

4 establishing a secure link between the transaction device and the kiosk; and
5 accessing functions of the kiosk through the transaction device.

1 25. An apparatus comprising:

2 a processor to establish a secure link to a kiosk and to access functions of the
3 kiosk.

1 26. The apparatus of claim 25, wherein the processor is to enable the apparatus to
2 locate the kiosk that has a desired function and to provide a direction to a location of
3 the best available kiosk.

1 27. The apparatus of claim 25, wherein the processor is to enable the apparatus to
2 access input and output devices of the kiosk.

1 28. The apparatus of claim 25, wherein the processor is to enable the kiosk to
2 perform an additional function.